

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 89-71-C - ORDER NO. 89-444
APRIL 20, 1989

IN RE: Request of Farmers Telephone)	ORDER GRANTING
Cooperative, Inc. for approval)	CHANGE IN
to increase its Fiber Optic Cable)	DEPRECIATION RATE
Depreciation Rate from 5% to 6.6%)	

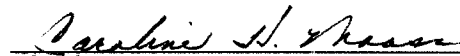
This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of a Request filed on behalf of Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Farmers) on February 2, 1989 wherein Farmers requests Commission approval to increase the Fiber Optic Cable Depreciation Rate from 5% to 6.6% effective January 1, 1989. According to the request of Farmers, the current rate does not represent the useful life of Fiber Optic Cable. Farmers forecasted that the additional depreciation expense will be approximately \$15,000 on an annual basis based on this change in depreciation rate. Further, Farmers alleged that the change in depreciation rate will not necessitate any local rate increase.

The request of Farmers was duly noticed and no intervention or opposition was filed. The Commission has considered the request of Farmers as well as the supporting documents and finds that its

request to change the depreciation rate from 5% to 6.6% for Fiber Optic Cable should be approved effective January 1, 1989.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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